



Appendix A

"History of Land Use" and "Site Reuse in Peacetime"

Methodology

Research on land use and disturbances to the land was conducted in several repositories in and near Washington, D.C. Much of the documentation is housed in Federal or local government repositories, but other information, such as biographical details of the developers of the land encompassed by Operation Safe Removal, is part of the holdings of the Washingtoniana Collection of the Martin Luther King Jr. Public Library. Because of the disparate nature of the files, both topical and chronological approaches were taken to the research. Topics included subdivision, street, institutional, and personal names; street construction and utility installation by type; building permits for selected portions of the area under investigation; and government activities by agency, especially the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the Engineering Department of the D.C. Department of Public Works, the D.C. Tax Assessor and Survey Offices, and the D.C. Fire Department.

Mr. Jimmy Rush and his staff assisted with access to Record Group 328, which contains the records of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and with Record Group 351, which contains selected records of the District of Columbia. Record Group 328 contains extensive material related to street plan

and grade changes and parkland. Record Group 351 contains important material pertaining to a variety of charitable institutions, including the National Training School for Girls, which abutted the test area. The record group also contains historic building permits.

Also of great assistance were members of the staff in charge of Record Group 33, the Motion Picture Collection. Record Group 33 contains a wide variety of films generated by and for the Federal Government. It includes material on military training and testing as well as land use and urban planning.

At the D.C. Archives, Dr. Philip Ogilvie and Ms. Dorothy Provine extended every courtesy. The research made extensive use of the material in Record Group 17, Records of Department of Public Works, which includes records of the D.C. Engineering Department related to projects such as street and road improvements, utility installations such as water, wastewater, gas, and electric lines. Records consist of maps, drawings, correspondence, payment authorizations, project completion reports, and the like.

The staff of the Map and Geography Division of the Library of Congress placed the requested maps on reserve and enabled the research team to review a consistent body of maps over an extended period. Among the maps used at the library were Boeske and various Civil War manuscript maps; maps and atlases published by Fisher, Hopkins, and Baist; and the maps of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Sources

I. National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C.

1. Record Group 33, Motion Picture Collection.

Card Index to Motion Picture Collection for selected topics.

Motion Pictures. Watched 8 reels.



2. Record Group 328, Records of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Notebook Indexes to Records of the Commission.

Minutes of Commissioners' Meetings from 1928 forward.

Files for topics including subdivision, changes to street plan, hearings, correspondence to and from the Commission. Examined 18 archives boxes.

Entries 95 and 96, Indexes to Building Permits and selected building permits. Examined 8 reels of microfilm.

Entry 159, Records of the D.C. Board of Charities. Minutes of the Board of Charities. Examined 2 archives boxes.

II. NARA Suitland Reference Branch, Suitland, Maryland.

1. Record Group 92, Records of the Office of the Quartermaster General.

Real Estate Records. Examined 3 archives boxes.

III. Library of Congress.

2. Geography and Maps Division.

Fisher, Hopkins, and Baist atlases.

U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Maps.

Boeske and other manuscript maps.

D.C. Street Maps Collection.

3. Periodicals Collection.

Post, Star, and Times-Herald (Washington, D.C.) for selected dates, approximately 4 months of newspapers per publication.

IV. Martin Luther King Jr. Public Library, Washingtoniana Collection.

1. General reference works on development of District of Columbia, Civil War, D.C. government, urban planning in the District, civil engineering works. Examined approximately 30 volumes.
2. City directories, 1890 to present. Examined selected names and street addresses in 75 volumes.
3. Clippings files compiled under such topical headings as subdivision and street name, institution or agency, corporate or personal name, World War I, fires, etc. Examined 58 files.

4. District of Columbia.

D.C. Commissioners Reports, 1916-19, 3 volumes.

Reports of the National Training School for Girls, 3 volumes.

D.C. Tax Assessors' Records, 1914-21, 4 volumes.

5. Photographic Collection by subdivision, street, and institutional, corporate, and personal name, approximately 18 items.

6. *Evening Star* (Washington, D.C.) Collection

Index, 10 file drawers.

Examined selected files by topic, 30 file folders.



IV. Office of the Historian of the U.S. Senate.

Biographical information about Senator Nathan B. Scott.

V. D.C. Archives.

1. Engineering Department Index by topics such as subdivision, street and road name, utility installation by type, correspondence, incidents such as fire and explosion, institutions and corporations, approximately 120 archives boxes.

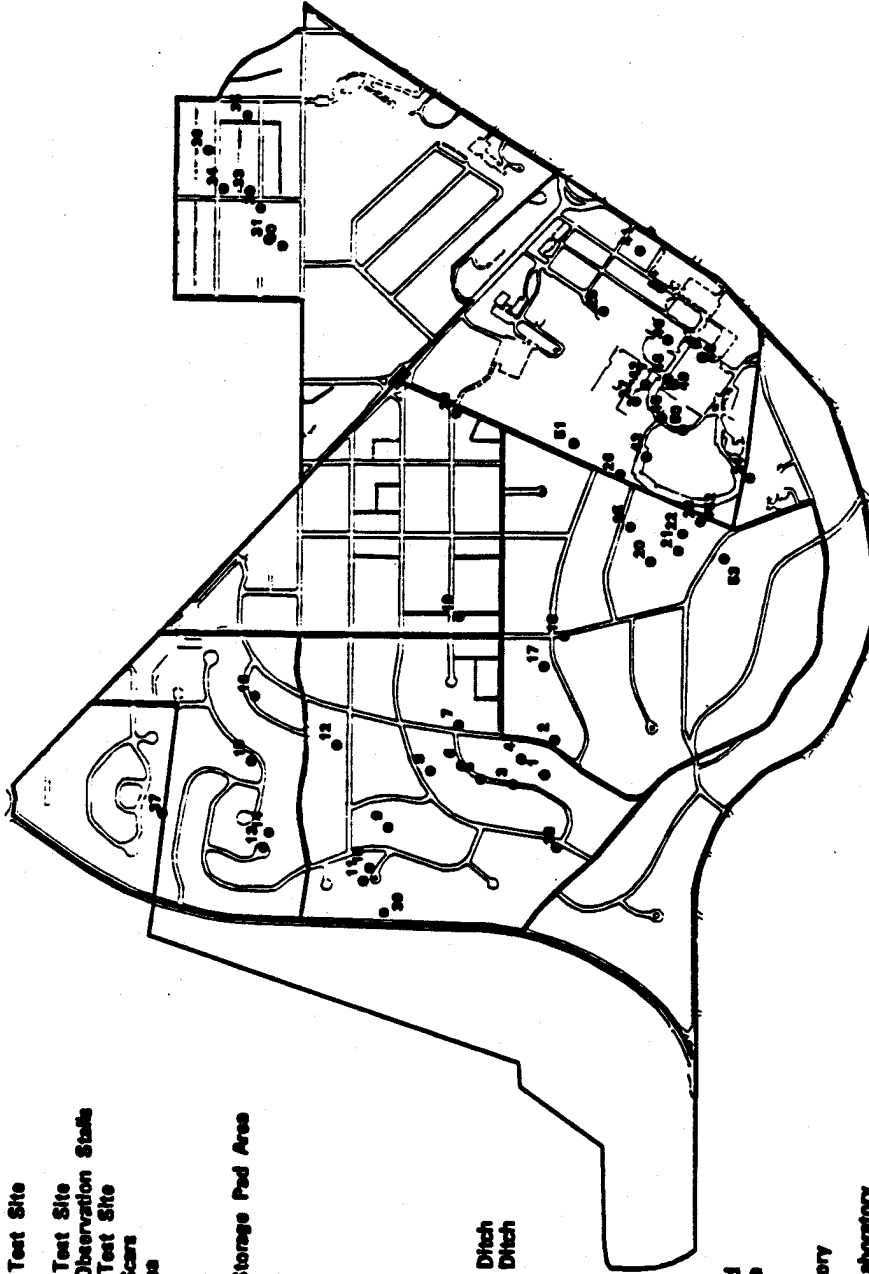
Engineering Department Files. Examined 265 record center boxes.

2. Photographic Collection. Examined 8 items.

VI. D.C. Historic Preservation Division.

Archaeology Files, reports deposited with D.C. Historic Preservation Division that pertain to archaeological investigation conducted within the area of interest. Examined 1 file drawer.

SPRING VALLEY POINTS OF INTEREST



1. Circular Trenches
2. Possible Pit
3. Small Crater Scars
4. Possible Pit
5. Possible Pit
6. Possible Target or Test Site
7. Possible Test Area
8. Possible Target or Test Site
9. Possible Firing or Observation Stalls
10. Possible Target or Test Site
11. Scattered Ground Scars
12. Possible Graded Area
13. Circular Trenches
14. Pit
15. Ground Scar
16. Possible Munition Storage Pad Area
17. Possible Pit
18. Small Crater Scars
19. Old Mustard Field
20. Ground Scar
21. Shell Pit
22. Shell Pit
23. Shell Pit
24. Possible Pit
25. Possible Trenches
26. Small Crater Scars
27. Probable Trench or Ditch
28. Probable Trench or Ditch
29. Ground Scar
30. Training Trenches
31. Training Trenches
32. Training Trenches
33. Training Trenches
34. Training Trenches
35. Training Trenches
36. Training Trenches
37. Mill Creek
38. Major Tolman's Field
39. Static Test Fire Area
40. Ohio Hall
41. History Building
42. Physiological Laboratory
43. Gun Pit
44. Chemical Research Laboratory
45. Explosives Laboratory
46. Cannister Laboratory
47. Bacteriological Laboratory
48. Diaperoid Laboratory
49. Pharmacological Laboratory
50. Gun Pit
51. Fire and Flame Laboratory
52. Electrolytic Laboratory
53. Bator (Arsenic) Valley



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